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SUBJ: SHIPPING

REF: GUATEMALA 3727

1. PRIVATE SHIPPING SECTOR SOURCE ADVISED EMBASSY OF HIS UNDERSTANDING STATUS GUATEMALAN SHIPPING LEGISLATION. WHILE REPORT IS SPECULATIVE AND MAY HAVE ELEMENTS OF WISHFUL THINKING, NONETHELESS, IT IS INDICATIVE OF CONTINUED FIGHT AGAINST DISCRIMINATORY SHIPPING LEGISLATION.

2. SHIPPING INDUSTRY SOURCE STATED FOLLOWING ARE ACTUAL ELEMENTS RELEVANT TO DECREE 26-77. PRESIDENT OF CONGRESS DID NOT FORWARD DECREE TO THE PRESIDENCIA. GUATEMALAN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES HAVE LOBBIED WITH BOTH MINISTER OF ECONOMY PONCE AND PRESIDENT LAUGERUD AGAINST ACCEPTANCE OF DECREE 26-77. NEW PRESIDENT OF CONGRESS DISPOSED TO RECOMMIT LEGISLATION TO COMMITTEE OF CONGRESS. THIS MUST, OF COURSE, AWAIT NAMING OF NEW COMMITTEES AND OPENING OF CONGRESS.

3. IN CONVERSATION WITH PRIVATE SECTOR SOURCES, EMILIO PERALTA, HEAD OF FLOMERCA, HAS AGREED TO TAKE A NEUTRAL
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STAND CONCERNING DECREE 26-77 REJECTION. SAME SOURCE CONSIDERS PRESIDENTIAL VETO OR POCKET-VETO OF PRESENT BILL IS A CERTAINTY.

4. INDUSTRY SOURCE HERE NOT CLEAR ON WHAT ACTION FMC HAS TAKEN; THIS APPEARS TO BE AN ADVANTAGE FOR THE MOMENT. PRESS COMMENT HAS BEEN MINIMAL.

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5. COMMENT: LOCAL INDUSTRY AND PRIVATE SECTOR INTERESTS ARE BENEFITTING IN THEIR LOBBYING EFFORTS FROM THE RECESS IN CONGRESS. THEIR EFFORT IS CONCENTRATED ON THE REMOVAL OF THE LAST THREE SUBSTANTIVE ARTICLES OF DECREE 26-77. END COMMENT.
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